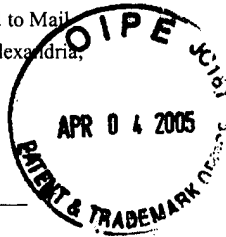
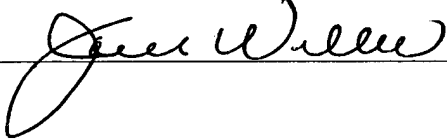


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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

MICHAEL BOTHE, ET AL.

Application No. 09/180,699

Filed: January 7, 2002

For: APPARATUS FOR PROTECTING  
ELECTRONIC CIRCUITRY

Customer No. 20350

Confirmation No. 7084

Examiner: Stephen W. Jackson

Technology Center/Art Unit: 2836

AMENDMENT

San Francisco, CA 94111  
April 1, 2005

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Sir:

Applicants request a one-month extension of time from March 1, 2005 to April 1, 2005 and authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor, and any additional fee that may be due, to our deposit account in accordance with the attached Petition for Extension of Time.

In response to the Office Action dated December 1, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Title:**

Please change the title of the application so that it reads in its entirety as follows:  
--APPARATUS FOR PROTECTING ELECTRONIC CIRCUITRY--.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.